

## Message Text

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ACTION NEA-10

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FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8247

C O N F I D E N T I A L JIDDA 3320

FOR UNDERSECRETARY HABIB AND ASST. SECRETARY ATHERTON

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDIP, SA  
SUBJECT: AN AGREEMENT FOR MY SUCCESSOR

1. I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOUR ATTENTION TO THE DESIRABILITY OF  
REQUESTING  
SAUDI AGREEMENT FOR MY SUCCESSOR AS SOON AS PRACTICAL. IT IS NOT IN  
U.S. INTEREST TO LET MATTER DANGLE AS IT HAS FOR THREE WEEKS OR MORE  
AFTER PUBLICATION IN WASHINGTON AND OTHER MEDIA.

2. WE RECALL THAT ORDINARILY SAUDI GOVERNMENT REQUIRES FROM TWO  
WEEKS TO A MONTH TO GRANT AGREEMENTS, AND IF OUR LAPSE DID NOT PLEASE  
THEM, THEY COULD DELAY EVEN LONGER. IT DOES NOT SEEM SENSIBLE TO  
PERMIT THIS MATTER TO COMPLICATE FURTHER THE RATHER SOMBER ATMOS-  
PHERE DEVELOPING AROUND THE CROWN PRINCE'S VISIT. WHITE HOUSE OR  
DEPARTMENT SHOULD GET ON WITH IT.

3. MY DEPARTURE IS SET FOR MAY 28 REPEAT MAY 28.  
PORTER

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